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The date on the label on your paper shows the time to which your subscription is paid.

The State of Delaware has two United States Senators to-day despite the treachery of four men elected as Republicans, the unprecedented action of Senator-Governor and would-be-Dictator, William T. Watson, and foolishly prolonged struggle among the Republican members. The Senator is Col. Henry A. duPont, a man who requires no introduction to the Republicans or the people of New Castle county. He is a man who in personal character, educational qualifications, business integrity, and natural ability, is the equal of Mr. Gray who will be his colleague, and he comes of a family whose history is a credit and an honor to the State, in the army and navy, in the business and social world. We congratulate the people of Delaware and the Republican party in particular upon the election of Col. duPont, and we present our compliments to the Senator-elect and pledge to him a united party. Hurrah for Senator duPont!

NOTHING is more true than the declaration that a man can destroy the reputation of a life time in an hour. Many a man of good name has realized that one false step in a weak moment has cost him more than all the combined mistakes of years. In our opinion William T. Watson took such a step last Thursday to the gratification and delight of the office-seeking and rooster element of his party, and to the disappointment and mortification of the men and women of the State who are Democrats from principle. To one of the latter class, who, it is said, went to him and protested against his action, Mr. Watson acknowledged it to be against his better judgment, but said that this one single honorable voice of all the men of his party who surrounded him, was the only protest raised—that all the other members of his party were urging him to assume the position, which to us, appears to be the triple rôle of Senator, Governor, and Dictator.

The step taken by Mr. Watson was to enter the Senate Chamber as a State Senator after he has taken the oath as Governor, to assume the double office of Governor and Senator, without a precedent in the history of the State, to preside as Speaker of that body, to enter the joint session as presiding officer and to cast his vote as a Senator of that body after an understanding and presumably a deal had been made with four renegade Republicans aided and abetted by Addicks to defeat the election of a United States Senator. Mr. Watson did this notwithstanding the delicacy of his promotion as Governor of this State and in the face of the trust and confidence reposed in him by all the people of the State. He holds the Governorship by the theft of Kent county last November, and as he had nothing to do with that steal, Republicans have not desired to hold him personally responsible for it, but since he has joined hands with the men who accomplished that disreputable and indefensible job he has made their acts his own, and henceforth he must be known as one of "de gang."

What is his reward? It must be a troubled conscience, unless he has concluded to stifle that unnecessary part of a politician's life, and the assurance of no less able a lawyer than Hon. George V. Massey that Mr. Watson is not a State Senator, that he had no legal right to preside or cast a vote in the joint session, that of the twenty-nine legal votes of the General Assembly, Col. Henry A. duPont received fifteen, and he is the junior senator-elect to-day for this State.

Mr. Watson has the approval of the rings and roosters in his party, and on Thursday the editor of *Every Evening* congratulated Secretary of State Whitteman on "the back bone of the Administration" with the promise of at-will endorsement, and turned around to "let me congratulate you, Bob old boy; put it there"; and those two worthies clasped hands, Rooster Handy and Rooster Handy. What a sight to the people of Delaware to witness such a scene upon the floor of the House of Representatives during the balloting for the election of a United States Senator, to see those worthy roosters figuratively to fall upon each others' necks and to rejoice. It was a suitable union. Let them eat, drink and be merry together for they have the fatted calf (Addicks), but great must be the regret of the rank and file of the Democracy that these two worthies are upon the same low plain and elbow to elbow, and near them, stands the "accidental" Governor. Let the curtain be drawn.

On Tuesday night the beginning of the end of the senatorial contest began. Mr. Massey's letter of withdrawal of Monday which was interpreted by a gentleman who had been voting for him as "the first evidence Mr. Massey had given that he was a candidate or would accept the office if elected," had not the effect expected and the conference of Tuesday evening, participated in by all the Republican members except Mr. Wilson and Mr. Ball, demonstrated the fact that neither Mr. Higgins nor Mr. Massey could be nominated. Mr. Addicks sent for Mr. Higgins at a very late hour that night and with the declaration that it was "Addicks or nobody," asked that Mr. Higgins turn over his support to him. Mr. Higgins told him every man who had voted for him absolutely controlled, and had controlled, his own vote, that those men had said they could not support Mr. Addicks because the people of New Castle county would never accept the result, that he, (Mr.

Higgins,) agreed with the New Castle county's representatives in that opinion and could not advise them to accept Mr. Addicks, and furthermore the friends of Mr. Massey would never accept Mr. Addicks and if Mr. Addicks controlled his men as he claimed, he could prevent an election and there would be no Senator. The anxious Republicans on the ground retired for a little rest.

On Wednesday morning the sentiment around Dover of the men desirous of making a Senator bugan to show itself. "Higgins, Higgins, give us Higgins," was heard on all sides. It came from the Massey men, from the Addicks adherents, and was earnest but it could not be. At least one Massey man had declared would never vote for Mr. Higgins and Mr. Addicks' four men would not, though they subsequently cast for him, an insincere ballot to draw and scatter the united vote then being given to Col. Henry A. duPont.

The joint session began at 12 o'clock on Wednesday and the efforts of the active Republican had been to unite all the forces outside the Addicks ranks upon one man. Mr. Higgins had withdrawn from the race and counseled his friends to centre upon the best man available. They agreed among themselves that Col. Henry A. duPont was the man. They voted for him for 32 ballots, and during five of those ballots he had 14 votes and within one of an election. Hanby, Ball, Brown, C. L. Moore, and Robbins stood together for Addicks. Mr. Money voted with them for eight ballots.

The Massey men voted for Mr. Pennewell for four ballots and then joined the Higgins men for Col. duPont. This drove the Addicks men to an insincere vote for Dr. Hiram R. Burton to draw off his friends from Col. duPont. It did not succeed. Then William duPont was sprung by the Addicks men to prevent the election of his brother. The Addicks forces joined the Democrats and took a recess, and the Massey men were urged to join with Addicks and elect William duPont. He reached 13 votes, or within two of the election, when on the 33rd ballot for the day, the 16th of the session, the Higgins men went to Dr. Burton and remained with him to the 42d ballot when Burton had 8 and William duPont 11 and a recess was taken on Thursday morning.

Thursday morning the balloting began at 9 o'clock with 12 ballots for Col. duPont. William duPont had 7 votes: Hanby, Moore, J. M. C. and C. L. Ball, Brown, Morgan, Robbins. On the next ballot J. M. C. Moore went to Col. duPont. On the third ballot Morgan went to Col. duPont, making 14 and the others went to Pennewell. On the fourth ballot the last insincere move of the Addicks men was made in three ballots for Mr. Higgins and they then joined the Democrats in a recess to 12 o'clock.

At the regular noon hour the balloting began under increased and intense excitement. Governor Watson had usurped the chair of Speaker and the Democrats and Addicks' men knowing that Mr. Brown would no longer vote with the Addicks men, Mr. Watson had yielded to the pressure to cast a vote in the last desperate effort to prevent the election of a Senator. The balloting began and for 36 ballots the vote stood 15 for Col. H. A. duPont and 4 for J. E. Addicks. C. L. Moore and Robert J. Hanby were constantly in consultation with the Democrats and the half dozen Republicans who stood with them in their vain effort to strike a death blow to the Republican party. The four men who supported their trust and their party are:

robert j. hanby,
charles louther moore,
newell ball,
john m. robbins.

Under them and beneath them is john edward addicks.

Let them die the death predicted by their patron, and be glad that they do not live in a country where vigilance committees have done effective work for less criminal offences.

At fifteen minutes of 3 o'clock, at the close of the 217th ballot, when Governor Watson declared there was no election, Senator Alrichs arose and read a protest against the decision of the chair, insisting that the governor had no vote and no right to preside and that the 29 legal votes cast Henry A. duPont had received 15 and was regularly and legally elected.

The Governor—Speaker—Presiding officer in a very dictatorial manner refused to entertain the protest, to have it recorded on the journal, or to allow an appeal to be taken. The Democrats then filibustered until 3 o'clock, the hall having to be cleared because of the disorder among the Democrats occasioned by the appeal and at 3 o'clock the "accidental" declared the Legislature adjourned sine die.

LAST week reference was made to an anonymous letter which appeared in the *Evening of May 1st*, but not having space for the entire letter only brief notice was made of it. The letter deals of personal matters, and as the readers of the TRANSCRIPT are the most intelligent citizens of this community, of the county, and of the State, it is given on the first page in full that every reader may judge of its charges, of the "grand and lofty feats of political tumbling" to which the editorials paper around the corner refers, the particulars of which it is very careful not to mention.

But what says the anonymous letter? That "Mr. Downham was not chosen speaker as he thought he would be." How contemptibly little must be the man who penned that sentence, as we believe! The want of intellect in the editorials sheet around the corner excuses it from senselessly accepting the *ipse dixit* of the *Evening*. What are the facts? Mr. Downham was chosen speaker on the first ballot in the caucus of Republican members of that General Assembly though he was the

youngest Republican of the body, but when the members of Kent county in vain tried to settle upon a clerk for Kent to which county the clerkship was conceded, Mr. Downham waved his election, and a speaker was chosen from Kent and the clerkship went to Sussex. Any member of that General Assembly will bear witness to the above fact. This is falsehood No. 1.

"It was settled who was to be made United States Senator before any caucus was had. Mr. Downham well knows how, when, and by whom it was done." The man does not live, and never did live, who ever had any knowledge or took any part in any such settlement, nor will any paper ever produce the first line of proof to that effect. This is falsehood No. 2.

That Mr. Downham was "rewarded" by Senator Higgins "with a pretty little office in Washington" can be believed by all who desire to do so. Mr. Downham stood all night in the caucus for the man that his county wanted, the man who had lead the Republicans of old Sussex to victory, Charles H. Treat, but being assured by the men opposed to his election that Mr. Treat could not be elected, Mr. Downham at the early morning hour, after an all night vigil, turned his efforts towards the election of the man who in New Castle county had stood as leader of the Republican party in victory or defeat the same for twenty years, and the result was the election of Anthony Higgins. His record of six years in the United States Senate stands out clean and clear, able and brilliant, and last Wednesday and Thursday not less than 95 per cent. of the Republicans of the State desired to see him elected to succeed himself. No better vindication of the choice of the General Assembly of 1889 is needed than the feeling among the Republicans within the State and of all self-respecting citizens within or without the State to-day, of the character of Anthony Higgins, nor can little men nor little papers detract from the place he holds in the nation, in the State, and with the best people of whatever political opinion. Mr. Treat had no idea of being a candidate for the Senate when he was a candidate for Representative in Congress nor can the name of any man be given who has knowledge of any such intention on his part, hence Mr. Downham could not, and did not, make him any promise before the election, and never made him any promise after the election. Accusation that he did is falsehood No. 3.

Falseshow No. 4 is the assertion that Mr. Downham claimed to be "a Massey man." He did claim, and does claim, respect for Mr. Massey personally, because of his former personal and business relations with Mr. Massey, and regrets as much as any one can that Mr. Massey did not decide years ago to enlist fully as a Republican leader in this State, and to help fight its battles under all circumstances. He would have made a brilliant leader, and with Higgins and Massey in the Senate, as it might have been, no State would have been better represented in the United States Senate.

We feel that an apology is due our readers for this extended notice of an anonymous scribbler, but being a comparative stranger to the people of the community, we felt it but right to publish the letter in full and to make the contradictions explicit that both sides may be read and we are willing to leave the verdict to a discriminating public.

A complimentary copy of the TRANSCRIPT is presented this week to our farmer friends in and around Middletown. And when we look on their broad acres, their commodious dwellings, their growing crops, their free, open-air independence, and contrast them with the hard lot of an editor, the disappointments of politics, the insistence of the patent medicine advertiser that he shall be at top of column, with reading matter at the right of him, reading matter at the left of him, and reading matter behind him, we envy the farmer his happy lot and wish ourselves back behind the plow handles. Of course some "smart Alex" will deliver himself of the opinion that we should never have been anywhere else, but such a man has not soul enough to appreciate the value of the "clod hopper" as he would slightly refer to the men through whose labor comes the substantial wealth and prosperity of the country.

The TRANSCRIPT desires of the farmers' wives and daughters. We wish to chronicle all the social happenings of the community, and we must rely on the people interested to keep us posted. Let the country folks do as their city cousins do; send to the papers direct and at once notice of the little social matters, including the visits and visitations of the aforesaid city cousins, and all other personal matters of interest to the readers of the local paper. Will you do it? Try it.

The attention of farmers and all others interested in agriculture is invited to the fourth page of this issue, where will be found a complete synopsis of the annual report of the Experiment Station of Delaware College. It is worth reading and preserving.

FROM OLD SUSSEX.

Hon. W. L. Sirman, of Delmar, has announced his candidacy for the office of Clerk of the Peace of Sussex county.

Lewis has three nonagenarians: Mrs. William Cottingham, aged 90, Mrs. Nathaniel Cottingham, 91, and Mrs. Rhoda Maull, 93.

CURRENT EVENTS.

President Cleveland is taking a cruise on the Chesapeake bay, on the "Violet." The New York assembly has passed a bill making Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 12, a legal holiday.

The Arkansas legislature forgot to make an appropriation for the maintenance of the state penitentiary at its last session.

Ambassador Thomas F. Bayard, Mrs. and Miss Bayard attended Queen Victoria's drawing room reception at Buckingham Palace on Wednesday.

The Tennessee Governorship contest was closed on May 3d, by the joint Legislature giving the seat to Turney, the Democrat nominee, by a vote of 71, to 57.

A monument in memory of the Confederate soldiers of North Carolina, will be unveiled at Raleigh, May 20th. The widow and grand-daughter of Stonewall Jackson will be present.

There is something in a name, sometimes—a hoosier couple named their girl triplets Ruth, Esther and Frances, and President Cleveland presented the father of the trio with a check for \$500 to be used for their education.

Prof. Swinith Shortridge, who killed his young wife over a year ago, and has since been confined in the Norristown Asylum for insanity, has been released by the authorities, his physicians accounting fully restored to safety.

Rev. Edward Everett Hale celebrated his 73d birthday this week. The distinguished preacher, philanthropist and litterateur has just returned to Boston from a Southern trip, and is still possessed of that intense vitality which led Holmes to call him the "living dynamo."

Mrs. Theodore Havemeyer, wife of the wealthy sugar King, is a queen of extravagance. She is fond of flowers. She buys lavishly and has spent as much as \$600 for a great basket of orchids. She also shows great ingenuity in devising schemes for spending money.

A cat show was the society event in New York city this week; over 300 tabbies were entered for prizes—which amounted to less than \$1,000. The show had all the eclat of a society fad, with such distinguished ladies as Mrs. J. J. Astor and Mrs. Stanford White as patroresses.

A large class of young women doctors graduated this week at the Woman's Medical College of Philadelphia. The woman doctor has come to stay, and there is a large field open to her. There are in the United States 9 Medical colleges exclusively for women, and 47 open to both sexes.

San Bernardino county, Cal., has the villages of Cadiz, Bagdad, and Siberia, not far apart on the same line of railway: Del Norte has Odessa and Smyrna, only fifteen miles apart, while the eastern shore of Maryland has Cordova, Bethlehem, Vienna and Berlin all within a radius of thirty miles from the third named place.

Among Mr. Gladstone's innumerable claims to distinction some one mentions that his appearance on a warm day is "as cooling as an iced drink." The Grand old man welcomes the advent of spring with the all jauntiness of a gallant a quarter as old and appears in jaunty gray clothes, white hats and vests and adorns himself with the most sprightly of boutonnieres.

The Golden Wedding Anniversary of Rev. D. P. and Mary A. Livermore was celebrated at their Massachusetts home on Monday. Two thousand guests attended the reception which lasted from 2 to 6 p.m. Mrs. Livermore is 74 years old, and has a wide reputation as an author, lecturer and philanthropist. She has no mark of age and is youthful in spirit and manner.

The late Ward McAllister gave this definition of a gentleman: "A gentleman is a person free from arrogance and anything like self-assertion, considerate of the feelings of others, and so satisfied and secure in his own position, that he is always unpretentious, feeling he could not do an ungentlemanly act; as courteous in his manners as to his equals."

The countess de Castellane, when she was Miss Anna Gould, at one time attended the fashionable ladies school at Ongontz near Philadelphia, and was so noted for her pranks and violation of the rules that only her "pull" saved her from expulsion. Among her many misdeeds she had a marked partiality for flirtation through the fence rails with the youths who attended the military academy at Cheltenham.

MY MARYLAND.

Elkton will have a lawn tennis club this summer.

Strawberries will be shipped from Wicomico County next week.

Murphy's Mills, near Bunker's Hill, was entered by thieves one night last week, and \$500 worth of flour stolen.

Twenty seven places where liquor was sold in Cecil County, were closed on May 1, when the prohibitory liquor law went into effect.

Wescott Faithful has leased the basket factory at Chestertown, and will begin work about the 15th of June, making peach baskets and crates.

It is estimated that the arrest, conviction and execution of Marshall Price will cost Caroline County \$4000. The reward of \$500 that was offered for the arrest and conviction of Sallie Dean's murderer will be paid by the county commissioners to Detectives Gault and Seibold.

The municipal election held in Cecilton, Monday, was exciting, there being two tickets in the field. The successful ticket which polled nearly a hundred votes was: For commissioners, James Smith, Eugene Pearce, George Milliken, Enoch Short and J. A. Cannan. The present bailiff, Wm. Taylor, was re-elected.

It was discovered this week that Franklin W. Knapp, a native of Chenango Forks, N.Y. who travelled with a circus, was murdered in Elkton last July, and his body, with stones, was sunk in the Chesapeake bay, off Turkey Point. Arizona Bob" also connected with the circus, is accused of the crime, and the Cecil County authorities are on the lookout for his arrest.

The Democratic county executive committee, of Cecil county, composed of E. E. Marsh, John Banks, John M. Tucker, P. Black, W. T. Pryer, Stewart L. Ball, on Thursday appointed George S. Wooley, of Chesapeake City, a member of the county central committee in place of the late Daniel Bratton. The committee recommended that the primaries be held on Saturday, June 1.

The *Washington Republican Ticket*.

The Republicans of Wilmington held their nomination election last Saturday and named the following candidates for city officers to be voted for at the next municipal election, on June 1:

Jacob Hadley Lewis for mayor.

Dr. A. E. Frantz for president of City Council.

Samuel A. Macallister for city solicitor.

Joseph K. Adams for city treasurer.

Edmund Mitchell, Jr., for assessor and collector.

A very general interest was taken in the contest, and a large vote was polled.

Pensioners Added to the List.

The Pension Bureau has allowed the following claims of Delawareans: Increase, Jacob C. Wilson, Milford, Kent county; re-issue, John H. Turner, Wilmington; Joshua E. Swain, Laurel, Sussex county.

The store of Thomas Frazier, at Bowers Beach, was broken into by burglars, early last Saturday morning. The clerk who slept at the store, shot at them and injured one so that he was captured.

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CENT A WORD CORNER.

ONE CENT A WORD EACH INSERTION.

STORE FOR SALE.—Owing to the death of my wife, I will sell my entire stock of store goods, general merchandise and grocery, with all fixtures, at a very low price, seven-room residence attached at very low rent, on terms to suit purchaser. Stand by me, I am in town. THEODORE D. Middletown, Del., May 11th.

COAL OIL STOVE Wanted.—Second-hand, call at TRANSCRIPT office or address, size and price and where can be seen.

CONVENTION OF '95.—Wanted a copy of the proceedings of the last Constitutional Convention. Address TRANSCRIPT OFFICE.

LEE BING'S CHINESE LAUNDRY.—On corner Church and Main Street. Fine work and fair prices. Laundry received by Thursday evening, ready Saturday; by Monday noon on Wednesday.

CLEANING HOUSE.—And there is nothing to save the carpets from cutting out like old newspapers. You can get them at the TRANSCRIPT office, neatly done up in bundles at a cent apiece.

WANTS.—Do you want money or land? Do you want to sell or buy? Do you want to lease or rent? Do you want a wife or a divorce? Have you a longed-for want? Our Cent a Word Corner will bring the answer.

Local News.

—The barefoot boy has made his appearance.

—This is fine weather for Strawberry festival!

—Planked shad is the popular peninsulas delicacy just now.

—A beautiful rainbow was visible after the showers on Tuesday.

—Everybody should feel happy at the prospect of a plentiful fruit crop throughout the State.

—Strawberries are quite plentiful in the Wilmington market, retailing at 15 and 18 cents per quart.

—With Lilies, Shrubs and apple trees in bloom, the air seems laden with the breath of heaven.

—The Presbyterian Manse is having improvements in the way of new paper and plant and other inside decorations.

—There are a number of Middletown gardens that have already yielded a plentiful supply of radishes and lettuce.

A singer who sang and won't sing again—A long-felt want must still;

She's so much better, don't you know,

Than the one who can't and will,

—Ex.

—The gasoline stove is found of great value since the warm wave swept the earth and everybody who has one is glad to it.

—The ladies of St. Paul's M. E. Church of Odessa will hold a Strawberry Festival in Town Hall, on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, 22d and 23d inst.

—Now that the base ball season is on, and the summer girl in sight, we may have a little rest from Napoleon and Trilby. Anything for a change.

—The property on the Southwest corner Broad and Green streets, the residence of the late Charles Beeston. Apparently on the premises after May 23d.

—Eight new subscribers this week, six the week before and twelve the week before that. Thanks, good friends. Come again. The most cordial welcome awaits you.

—The Wilmington school ma'ms and pupils have enjoyed a May-day holiday of a week's duration, this week having been given up to recreation and the study of Nature.

—Charles Schulmaster, a carriage trimmer, in Wilmington, aged 50 years committed suicide on Monday by drinking laudanum. Domestic trouble was the cause.

—The old blue flag, the Iris, is blooming in all its royal beauty. The dandelion too, and yellow violet have joined the galaxy of spring beauties and other flower friends are soon to follow.

—The out o' door season has come, and old and young are enjoying the porch rocker and hammock. Who would live in a land where there were no front porches or warm summer evenings?

—Grace Orchestra, of Wilmington, will give a concert in the Fencader Presbyterian church, Glasgow, on Thursday evening May 16th to which they invite all their friends and the general public.

—The copious rains of last week followed by the warm sunshine of this week, seem to have put new life into every living thing. Plants never seemed to grow so fast, nor leaves to unfold so rapidly.

—The only fault one could find with this weather is that it is not "nejmum" enough. The thermometer is away up in the nineties, and still getting higher, and the temperature is more like midsummer than early May.

—Rev. L. I. Wood will preach on the following subjects at the M. E. Church tomorrow: At 10.30, "The Talents"; Mat. 23-14. At 7.30, "The Gospel and the cry of the Masses"; Acts 16-9. You are cordially invited to the services.

—There will be three fair girls graduates at the Middletown Schools this year: Misses Sallie Jolls, Mary Maxwell and Hattie Barnard. There were also three girls in last year's class, and the inquiry comes "where are the boys?"

—The birds from the sunny south which summer in this region have nearly all arrived, and the air is pulsing with their song of joy. Of all the wild whistling warblers there are none more welcome than the black bird and thrush.

—There was a great many visitors in town last Saturday, and the merchants were busy all day. In the evening the Plaza was lined with teams, and the streets thronged with pedestrians, and much of the old time activity seemed to have returned.

—The lawn fete and strawberry festival to be given by the Diamond State Band on the school grounds, next Wednesday and Thursday evenings, bids fair to be a very enjoyable affair, if the weather is favorable. The "boys" are worthy of a liberal patronage.

—The Marshallton public school of which Franklin Brockson is Principal, will have a flag-raising this afternoon, which will be a great event in the history of the school. The flag staff is said to be the tallest unspiked staff in the state, it measures 70 feet above ground. The flag and staff are furnished by the pupils.

—Fruit growers have been somewhat exercised over the reported injury to peaches by the recent rains and continued damp cloudy weather. Several growers near Bridgeville report their crops seriously damaged, and in various sections down the state the buds are said to be badly headed. But the crop buds fair to be good.

—Gov. Watson has appointed Willard F. Smith, County Superintendent of Public Schools for New Castle county. Prof. Smith is a native of Delaware, a graduate of Delaware College, and for the past two years has been principal of the Delaware City Schools. He is a young man and is well spoken of both as a man and an educator.

Bishop A. M. Wayman of Baltimore, senior bishop of the A. M. E. Church, preached at Trinity church Sunday at the all day service. Large congregations were in attendance, and a great many white people heard the venerable bishop with pleasure. He was accompanied by his wife, and they were entertained by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Daker.

—The Commencement exercises of the Middletown schools this year, will be very fine. H. C. Conrad Esq., of Wilmington, is expected to make the annual address; beautiful music will be rendered by a chorus choir, and Prof. Sharp is sparing no pains to make this the best Commencement in the history of the school. June 14th is the time.

—An enterprising young lady on Cass street is having marked success with growing tomato plants. She planted the seed in pots last fall or early winter, and now has a fine "patch" of thrifty, handsome plants in bloom, and some with sizable tomatoes already in view. She has transplanted her crop to the open ground, and they do their fair cultiva-tor much credit.

—The Ladies Mite Society of the M. E. Church held their annual election at the home of Mrs. Culbertson, on Saturday evening, when the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. V. L. Culbertson; Vice President, Mrs. S. E. Rice; Secretary, Miss Anna Merritt; Treasurer, Mrs. V. W. Massey; Parsonage Committee, Mrs. M. L. Price and Mrs. W. Maxwell.

—Nature is a thrifty dame! Her spring housecleaning is so genuine and thorough that the brown old earth, washed by spring rains, seems new again; like certain Middletown houses that have been lately renewed, where art and industry combine with such charming effects, and the housewife's touch of skill and grace is traced in every appointment. Truly, housekeeping, housecleaning, in these days, is a fine art.

—Charles S. Smith, formerly proprietor of Smith's Mills, died at the residence of William Vosell, near McDouglas on April 30. He was afflicted with softening of the brain, and during a period of mental disturbance, fell from the house-top weeks ago, and death resulted from the injuries he received. He was 74 years old, and had resided at the Mill for over 45 years. His funeral took place May 2. Interment at Drawyer's, near Odessa.

—The Epworth League gave its first monthly entertainment last evening in the M. E. lecture room. The program consisted of essays, recitations and music comprising "An Evening at Epworth Rectory," and was a very instructive and entertaining affair. The pastor, Rev. L. L. Wood, is making a special effort to have the League a great spiritual and intellectual power here and has already reorganized and started anew the various departments.

—Apropos to those betrothal pups mentioned in last week's TRANSCRIPT, it is stated as a positive fact, that a certain man, not a resident of Middletown, gave two hundred dollars for a "darling little doggie for his dear." A sordid youth, hearing this bit of news, remarked upon the cost of a betrothal gift, but concluded that it was cheaper after all than the pups of the biped variety from over the sea, that are purchased by daughters of American money-magnates who give millions for a pup with a pedigree.

—The name of Union Lodge being suggested it was adopted unanimously, the meeting will be Tuesday, at 8 o'clock.

—Those present were: Grand Master Workman, C. B. Constable, Guide, A. Hushabeck; Inside Watchman, Isaac Taylor; Outside Watchman, W. J. Givens; Trustees, D. W. Colpitts, Charles Fox, W. H. Boulden, Rev. W. L. Murray; from Wilmington, Grand Recorder, Charles E. Woods, S. H. Watts.

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At the March meeting of the trustees of Delaware College a report was submitted by the director of the Experiment Station. It was in substance the work of the year 1894. The following abstract has been prepared for publication:

DISEASES OF LIVE STOCK—ANTHRAX.

History of Epidemic in Delaware.—A Primary Source of This Disease—Attempts to Control It by Vaccination.

In 1894 anthrax killed eight valuable Jersey cows on a small farm in New Castle county. The tenant was inoculated and narrowly escaped death. In March, 1893, he was again taking sick with similar symptoms.

His successor was a young man.

It was his second farm. He controlled a herd of six head of horned stock. Before the close of his first month two head died, and the station demanded that he should be examined for cause of death.

The diagnosis was anthrax, and little heed was given to advice.

By midsummer anthrax had killed every horned creature on this place, and at the close of his year the farmer was obliged to find alternative laboring work.

In March, 1894, a new tenant came upon the farm, and was immediately informed of its past history, but preferred to run the risk. Within two months he lost five head of cows, steers and horses. The balance of his herd he sold without delay.

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